



Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting

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425 Wells Road
Doylestown, PA 18901
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Stephanie Mason
215-348-9915

Tuesday, March 20, 2012

7:00 PM

Public Meeting Room

I. 6:15 PM INTERVIEWS – BOARD OF AUDITORS VACANCY

II. 6:45 PM EXECUTIVE SESSION

III. 7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

In attendance: Vice Chairman E. Thomas Scarborough, Jr., Member Richard F. Colello, Member Ryan Manion. Absent: Chairman Barbara N. Lyons, Member Shawn Touhill. Also in attendance: Township Manager Stephanie J. Mason, Solicitor Jeffrey Garton, Engineer Mario Canales, Acting Chief Dean Logan and Dir. of Facilities Richard John.

A. Pledge to the flag

B. Presentations – Doylestown Bicentennial Picnic – YMCA – June 2, 2012

Co-Chairman of the County Seat Bicentennial Committee; Stu Abramson informed the Board a week long event is scheduled to commensurate the 200 year anniversary of Doylestown becoming the County Seat of Bucks County. The week long event will begin with a Memorial Day parade on May 28, 2012 and end on Saturday, June 2, 2012 with a community picnic from 3:00pm until 6:00pm. It will have a total of 25 to 20 activities and include fireworks after the community picnic, beginning at dusk. All information can be found at www.doylestownbicentennial.org.

Although many in-kind services and donations from local business and residents have been received, the committee requests Board approval for waiver of costs for a show mobile, including workers. As well as, the use of police officers to assist with pedestrian crossing during the car show and fireworks events.

Mr. Scarborough questioned if the security deposit will be returned for the show mobile. Co-Chair of the County Seat Bicentennial Committee; Lynn Goldman indicated the committee is happy to provide a security deposit. Mr. Scarborough was concerned with overtime fees for township personnel that handles the show mobile, which may affect the township's budget. Mr. Abramson indicated if it's not possible to waive the fee for the show mobile, he asked the Board consider not charging for out of pocket expenses, such as personnel. Ms. Goldman then requested rather than hiring a police officer especially for the event, can a officer that is scheduled for duty be called to assist with the crosswalk during and after the fireworks.

Acting Chief Logan responded; the police department will only charge for the hours of work. He added it would be very hard-pressed to guaranty the availability of officers already scheduled for duty to assist with the crosswalk. He cannot allocate the manpower of officers patrolling the streets for extra detail.

Mr. Colello stated the event is a good project, however he is conflicted in spending any township dollars. Ms. Goldman questioned Mr. Colello's input with regards to donating the show mobile. Mr. Colello is in favor of the committee incurring costs for the show mobile. Mr. Abramson understands the burden the costs may impose, but would like the Board's support for an event that benefits Doylestown residents and occurs once every 100 years. Ms. Goldman understands the costs associated with personnel and labor may be a burden, but feels it's unfair for the Board not to approve the use of the show mobile when technically it's owned by the residents to include the committee.

Mr. Colello suggested the Board consider tabling tonight's decision until a further discussion. Mr. Scarborough added the Board will do their best to help.

Resident; Ernie Gash of 17 Wilshire Road suggested to request donations from local businesses. Mr. Abramson responded; the committees has received some funds, but not enough. Mr. Gash then asked how much is needed. Ms. Manion answered; approximately \$5,200.00 to rent the show mobile for two events. Mr. Gash feels for the amount needed the committee should have no problem receiving additional support from residents or businesses.

Resident; Joseph Paternostro of Houk Road suggested requesting Fire Police Department donate their services to assist at the crosswalk. Ms. Mason responded; there would be a cost involved. Acting Chief Logan added if the committee can have the Fire Police agree to donate their services, they should hire them. Ms. Goldman agreed to consider contacting the Fire Police.

Ms. Manion made a MOTION; second by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors table a request for waiver of fees from The Doylestown Bicentennial Committee for the use of a show mobile.

MOTION CARRIED 3 to 0.

Ms. Goldman requested Board approval to waive a one year waiting period before a dedication ceremony in honor of Dr. Cody, who was a member of the Bike and Hike committee. Her family would like to purchase a bench to be placed on the trail in front of Kutz Elementary School. Mr. Scarborough indicated the Board will consider request at a letter date.

C. Visitors/Public Comments

None

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for April 3, 2012

B. The Annual Doylestown Township Golf Outing will be held on June 4, 2012 at the Doylestown Country Club.

V. MINUTES APPROVAL: March 6, 2012

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Manion the March 6, 2012, Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors Regular meeting minutes be approved.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

VI. CORRESPONDENCES

None

VII. REPORTS

A. Solicitor

Mr. Garton reported a discussion in Executive Session prior to the meeting regarding the Police contracts was conducted with no action needed to be taken at tonight's meeting.

B. Police Chief

No Report

C. Township Engineer

No Report

D. Manager - Rt. 202 Parkway Dedication

Ms. Mason reported the Route 202 Task Force and the Bike and Hike Committee are planning a "Party on the Parkway" event scheduled for September 16, 2012, with a rain date of September 23, 2012 to celebrate the opening of the Route 202 Parkway. The actual opening of the parkway is not scheduled until approximately early November of 2012.

The event will have two parts. The first is a Grand Torino bike ride beginning at 9:00am and coordinated by Linda Plank of Doylestown Hospital. The bike ride will begin at Delaware Valley College Farm Market and continue to Horsham Road and back. The second part is an event at the Park and Ride with local legislative representatives, PennDOT, EAC and Delaware Valley College, providing information. The township is currently requesting sponsorship. Ms. Mason requested consensus from the Board to move forward in obtaining a parade/race permit for use of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (Penn Dot) roadways. She also requested board approval to have the township host a event to promote the Parkway / Trail and approve wording on a plaque in honor of the late Walter Berry, who was a consultant for the Route 202 Task Force. The plaque will be placed on a kiosk located at the Park and Ride in New Britain Road.

Ms. Manion made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve the Route 202 Task Force and Bike and Hike Committee move forward in obtaining a parade/ race permit and use of wording for a plaque in honor of the late Walter Barry.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

E. Supervisors

Ms. Manion welcomed the new Acting Police Chief Logan to his first official Board of Supervisors meeting.

Mr. Colello also welcomed the Acting Chief Logan.

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Manion the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors appoint Stan H. Durey as a member of the Board of Auditors.

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Manion the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors appoint Alfred W. Hopkin, Jr. as a member of the Environmental Advisory Council.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

Mr. Scarborough wished everyone long and enjoyable Spring.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Proposed Ordinance Amendment – Uniformed Employee Pension –Contributions

Ms. Manion made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve the proposed Ordinance Amending the Provisions of Doylestown Township Code Chapter 28, Article I, relating to the Uniformed Employees Pension Plan to provide that Mandatory Member

contributions to the plan are to be treated as Employer "Pick up" Contributions under Internal Revenue Code Section 414 (h)(2).

Public Comment; None

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Keeley Ave. Traffic Calming

Ms. Mason recommends the traffic calming study prepared by L'Amoreaux Engineering Planning Consultants pertaining to Keeley Avenue, where New Britain Borough will be replacing signage and installing speed humps be reviewed by the township's traffic consultant. Also, have the solicitor assist in preparing a similar agreement previously submitted between Doylestown Borough with regards to Court Street.

The Board agreed by consensus.

B. Zoning Hearing Board – 709 W. Sandy Ridge Road –Special Exception

The Board agreed by consensus to have Mr. & Mrs. Casale of 709 West Sandy Ridge Road request for special exception to install an in-law suite be forwarded to the Zoning Hearing Board as per the recommendation of Ms. Mason.

C. Girl Scout Gold Awards - Jessica K. Milroy

Ms. Manion made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve Girl Scout of Eastern Pennsylvania member; Jessica K. Milroy be awarded the Girl Scout Gold Award at the April 22, 2012 Annual Achievement Ceremony.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

D. Eagle Scout Proclamation – Anthony Steven Collora – Troop 6

Ms. Manion made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve Boy Scout Troop 6 member Anthony Steven Collora be awarded rank of Eagle Scout at the April 14, 2012 Eagle Scout Court of Honor Ceremony.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

E. Letter of Agreement – Doylestown Twp. Police Dept. and BC Fish & Game

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Manion the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve upon Township Solicitor; Jeffrey P. Garton's review, the Letter of Agreement between the Township and Bucks County Fish & Game for use of club ranges for Police training.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

F. Financial Package Replacement – Proposals

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Manion the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve the purchase of software for the Finance Department from Safe Choice Software, Warminster PA in the amount of \$42,500, in which Township Municipal Authority will share in the cost.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

G. 2012 Road Material Bid

Ms. Manion made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors award the 2012 Road Materials Bid to the following...

<i>Allan A. Myers</i> <i>Malvern, PA 19355</i>	<i>\$2,401.00</i>
<i>Eureka Stone Quarry, Inc.</i> <i>Chalfont, PA 18914</i>	<i>\$29,700.00</i>
<i>H&K Materials</i>	<i>\$2,025.00</i>
<i>Miller Quarries</i> <i>Pipersville, PA 18947</i>	<i>\$161,620.00</i>
<i>Plumstead Materials</i> <i>Doylestown, PA 18901</i>	<i>\$190.00</i>

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

H. Land Developments/Subdivisions

1. Gawronski Property - 112 Edison Furlong Road - Zoning Permit

On behalf of applicant; Tom McGrath, Attorney; Charles O. Marte requested Board approval for issuance of a zoning permit to allow Mr. McGrath to convert the property for commercial use at 112 Edison Furlong Road. The use is within the commercial zoning district and allowed by-right. The applicant has appeared before the Planning Commission, where they received a recommendation to move forward.

Mr. McGrath owns Mc Brick Building Group and proposes to utilize the site for his contracting business. There will be no large construction equipment on-site, only one backhoe and a few landscaping trailers. Since the property runs down hill from Edison Furlong Road, the existing pool will be filled in and holes drilled at the bottom to create a seepage pit. This will provide a parking area for the backhoe and landscape trailers behind the home as per the recommendation of Township Planner; Judy Stern Goldstein. Offices will be located in the existing farmhouse. A total of six are employed, however only three full-time employees will be at the property. Employees will work from 9:00am until 5:00pm with occasional weekend hours. Materials will be delivered to the jobsite, but no storing or double handling of materials are needed.

The applicants received a highway occupancy permit from Penn Dot and a letter with regards to a septic system from Bucks County Health Department. Both have been presented to the township's Director of Codes; Sinclair Salisbury. The applicants also met with concerned neighbors to address any pending issues.

Resident; Mardi Harrison of 125 Edison Furlong Road indicated she has met with the applicants to address concerns of a commercial property affecting the value of her home and is satisfied with the outcome. She then questioned if the township has a sound ordinance in place. Mr. Garton; answered the township implements a noise ordinance.

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Manion the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve the issuance of a zoning permit to Tom McGrath, owner of Mc Brick Building Group for commercial use at 112 Edison Furlong Road.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

2. Ford Property (Warrington Country Club) – Sketch Plan

On behalf of the applicants; Wayne Ford of Penn's Ford Properties, LLC, attorney Edward Wild requested Board approval for waiver of land development to construct an addition at the Warrington Country Club.

Applicants received a recommendation from the Planning Commission to move forward with the plans. Also, review letters were received from Township's Planner, Engineer and Traffic consultants with no land development issues.

While presenting designs of the proposed land development, Mr. Wild explained the construction is a 90 by 30 foot addition with no additional imperious surface or sit down seating. The addition will serve as a bar/ buffet area to provide a user friendly area off the cocktail room. The disturbance is approximately 1 to 1 1/2% of the overall area. The plan was presented to the Zoning Hearing Board where the issue of special exception was addressed since the property is zoned C2 commercial, the E18 banquet facility use is not permitted. The Zoning Hearing Board recognized there is no violation and granted approval. The second issue was with regards to the parking. Currently there are 136 parking spaces with two handicap spaces. The parking lot will be redesigned to provide 136 parking spaces with the required five handicap spaces based upon the square footage. There was no relief needed since parking requirement to the E18 use was non-conforming. Several neighboring residents attended the Zoning Hearing Board meeting with no opposition.

Mr. Garton questioned the status of the bike path. Mr. Wild answered; to the extent of the requirement of the land development ordinance, a request for a waiver for the existing sidewalk on Almshouse Road is needed. The existing sidewalk satisfies the requirement with no additional bike path along the surrounding sides. Upon the Board's approval to grant waiver of land development, the applicants will comply with all reviews and includes waiving any bike path requirements.

Mr. Garton requested Board's comments with regards to the bike path. Mr. Scarborough did not see a reason to peruse a bike path, since currently there is no connection. The Board agreed.

Upon approval from the Board of Supervisors, Penn's Ford Properties, LLC will be required to comply with the following conditions as set forth by Township Solicitor; Jeffrey P. Garton:

1. Compliance with the Boucher & James, Inc. report dated February 21, 2012;
2. Compliance with the Pickering, Corts and Summerson, Inc., report dated February 13, 2012;
3. Compliance with any conditions imposed by the Doylestown Township Zoning Hearing Board related to your client's Application;
4. Receipt of any and all permits required from any agencies having jurisdiction over such matters including but not limited to the Bucks County Conservation District;
5. Payment of all Township expenses, including professional services, related to the Application;
6. Applicant to execute a Waiver of Land Development Agreement in a form satisfactory to Township Manager and Township Solicitor; and
7. The Board of Supervisors agreed that your client had no need to install bike paths since there already was an existing sidewalk across the entire frontage of your client's property.

On behalf of the applicants, Mr. Wild will comply.

Ms. Manion made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve a waiver of Land Development be provided to Penn's Ford Properties, LLC with regards to the proposed construction of an addition at Warrington County Club with comments.

Mr. Colello questioned if the waiver precludes the applicant from making a donation towards the Bike and Hike Trail along other areas of the township. Mr. Garton answered; With the existing sidewalk, it will be difficult to obtain a fee in lieu. Ms. Mason questioned how far up does the sidewalk go through the property. Mr. Ford answered; the existing sidewalk ends at the Estates in Warrington community. Ms. Mason then stated, as long as the residents have a place to walk traversed from bicyclist, it makes sense.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

3. Eastburn Tract – Sycamore Ridge – Preliminary Subdivision

Applicants requested to be removed from the March 20, 2012 Board of Supervisors Regular meeting agenda. Mr. Scarborough noted an extension has been requested until April 30, 2012 from the applicants to present their plans.

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Mansion the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve a 30 day extension be provided to Applicants; Eastburn Tract- Sycamore Ridge, to submit their Preliminary Subdivision Land Development Plans by April 30, 2012.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

I. Treasurer's Report – March 20, 2012

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Manion the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve the March 20, 2012 Treasurer's Report.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

J. Bills List – March 20, 2012

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Manion the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve the March 20, 2012 Bill's List in the amount of \$ 81,337.75

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for April 3, 2012

B. The Annual Doylestown Township Golf Outing will be held on June 4, 2012 at the Doylestown Country Club.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Manion the March 20, 2012 Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting be adjourned at 8:05pm.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3 to 0.

Respectfully submitted by,

Stephanie J. Mason, Secretary